Plan of start	Projects likely to be spilled over to 11th Plan		
	Major	Medium	Total
AP-66-69	2	0	2
IV	8	3	11
V	33	23	56
AP-78-80	2	5	7
VI	25	21	46
VII	10	13	23
AP-90-92	2	2	4
VIII	0	48	48
TOTAL:	89	116	205

Among the above 205 projects, 62 major and 49 medium projects are approved projects. As the information available in Central Water Commission, total original approved cost of these 111 projects was Rs.20,420 crore whereas, the latest estimated cost is Rs.1,16,242 crore.

(c) Generally the projects are delayed due to fund constraints, resettlement and rehabilitation issues, land acquisition, forest and environmental clearance, Inter-departmental bottlenecks, contractual problems and changes in the scope of the projects etc. Irrigation is a State subject and planning, execution, funding as well as priority of construction and completion of projects is within the purview of State Government. In order to expedite completion of ongoing irrigation projects, the Central Government launchd Acceleted Irrigation Benefit Programme in 1996-97 under which, Central Loan Assistance/Grant amounting to Rs.23231.8659 crore has been provided to the States till date.

Development of irrigation in Maharashtra

4423. SHRI VIJAYJ. DARDA:
SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI:
SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that World Bank has approved Rs. 1700 crores for the development in the field of "irrigation' in Maharashtra

and increased public participation, and the project is to be completed by the Irrigation Department and Self-Helf Groups within three years;

(b) if so, being a World Bank-aided project, whether the Central Government is monitoring its progress; and

(c) whether there is any dispute existing between the affected seven Irrigation Divisions Maharashtra and the Self-Help Groups like Nagpur-based Gramin Vikas Sansthodhan, Prashikshan Sanstha, etc. relating to funds which is impending this project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAY PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV): (a) An agreement for IBRD loan for US $325 Million has been signed with the World Bank on 19.08.2005 for Maharashtra Water Sector Improvement Project with the closing date on 31.3.2012. The project includes a component on participatory rehabilitation of 1368 canal works, 151 draining schemes, 283 Dam safety works and 82 other building works. The project will support participatory rehabilitation of 286 selected (9 major, 13 medium and 264 minor) irrigation schemes covering 6,70,000 hectare of Culturable Command Area (CCA).

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The Government of Maharashtra has reported that no such case has been noticed.

Report on Less Water-More Crop

4424. SHRI SANJAY RAUT:
SHRI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any report on less water-more crop and income per drop of water in the last year;

(b) if so, the details of recommendations therein;

(c) whether Government are considering their proposal for the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?